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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended): A method for terminal assisted menu presentation of value added services in mobile communication systems where the value added services are accessible via value added services nodes where objects are loaded in a mobile station comprising a mobile terminal and a subscriber identity module, comprising the steps of:

communicating between a subscriber and a value added services node relative to value added services offered with the objects, the objects including at least one of executable programs, functions, and data, and wherein an object contains at least an abbreviated form of the menu of a value added service;

controlling, modifying, or executing the objects via the wireless interface of the mobile communication system;

verifying with the object the technical capabilities of the mobile station and the objects automatically adapting to the technical capabilities of the mobile station; and

subsequently selecting and loading into the mobile station an object suitable to the technical capabilities of the mobile station, wherein the technical capabilities of the mobile station are stored in a special database.

- 2. (Previously presented): Method according to claim 1, wherein the objects are loaded in the mobile station via the wireless interface.
- 3. (Previously presented): Method according to claim 1, further comprising the step of loading and modifying the objects in loading stations provided by a special dealer or special provider.
- 4. (Previously presented): Method according to claim 1, further comprising the step of generating and displaying, with the aid of objects, fully or in part on the display of the mobile station, a menu for value added services node.

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- 5. (Previously presented): Method according to claim 4, further comprising the step of changing, adjusting, or updating the menu and the display of the mobile station by means of loading a new object in dependence of the actions previously executed in the value added services node.
- 6. (Previously presented): Method according to claim 1, wherein the objects are stored in an object center of the mobile communication system from where they are called up and loaded in the mobile terminal.
- 7. (Previously presented): Method according to claim 1, wherein the objects are loaded into a memory of the mobile terminal in the mobile station.
- 8. (Previously presented): Method according to claim 1, wherein the objects are loaded into a memory of the subscriber identity module.
- 9. (Previously presented): Method according to claim 1, wherein transfer, activation, modification and updating the objects take place via short messages or GPRS services of the mobile communication system.
- 10. (Previously presented): Method according to claim 1, wherein keys or key combinations in the mobile station are allocated via the objects to individual functions of the value added services.
- 11. (Previously presented): Method according to claim 1, wherein loading and modifying the objects in the mobile station is initiated by means of selected events.
- 12. (Previously presented): Method according to claim 1, wherein loading and modifying the objects in the mobile station is initiated by the subscriber.

Claims 13 and 14 (Cancelled)

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15. (New): Method according to claim 1, further comprising the step of allocating keys of the mobile station to actions of a value added service, said allocating based on the object containing an abbreviated form of a menu of value added services.

16. (New): Method according to claim 1, wherein said step of communicating between a subscriber and a value added services includes loading the objects into the mobile station with a short message service.

17. (New): Method according to claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

communicating a short message from the value added services node to the mobile station, the short message containing the version number of the object available from the value added services node; and

comparing the version number of the available object with a version number of the object available in the mobile station and, if a more up-to-date object is available, loading the more up-to-date object into the mobile station.

18. (New): Method according to claim 1, further comprising the step of communicating a short message from the value added services node to the subscriber identity module which updates a display of the mobile station upon successful completion of an operation in the value added services mode, the operation selected by the user of the mobile station.